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- 1. SEPTEL GIVES BRIEF OUTLINE OF WHAT YOU MAY TELL HOST GOVERNMENT ABOUT AARON MISSION.
- 2. ON OTHER ISSUES RAISED REFTEL, YOU MAY INFORM UAEG THAT ETHIOPIA CONTINUES FOR THE MOMENT TO RESIST THE IDEA OF A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT WHICH INCLUDES ENFORCEABLE GUARANTEES AGAINST REPRISALS BY ETHIOPIA AGAINST OGADENI INHABITANTS. DEGREE AND NATURE OF AUTONOMY FOR OGADENIS IS LIKEWISE CONSIDERED IN ADDIS TO BE A DOMESTIC PROBLEM. NEVERTHELESS, WE FEEL THAT AARON MISSION HAD OPPORTUNITY SECRET

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CLEARLY EXPLAIN OUR POSITION ON MODALITIES OF CEASE-FIRE AND AFTERMATH AND GAINED IMPRESSION THAT ETHIOPIANS MAY NOT BE AS INFLEXIBLE WITH RESPECT TO A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT AS THEIR STATEMENTS WOULD INDICATE. VANCE

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